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SUBJECT: JWGTRD MEETING

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1. ISMAIL INFORMS US THAT SCIENCE MINISTER EL GEBEILI
PLANS TO SUGGEST NEW PROPOSALS FOR JOINT ACITIVITES TO BE
CONSIDERED AT JWG MEETING, INCLUDING ONE RELATING TO
LASER USES. ISMAIL HAS URGED HIM TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT
ANY SUCH PROPOSALS QUICKLY, AND TO MAKE THEM AS CONCRETE
AS POSSIBLE, BUT THEY ARE UNLIKELY TO BE AVAILABLE FOR ANOTHER
WEEK. ISMAIL ALSO PLANS TO MEET SHORTLY WITH MINISTER OF
INDUSTRY OR REPRESENTATIVE OF GENERAL ORGANIZATION FOR
INDUSTRIALIZATION TO DISCUSS INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH POSSIBILITIES.
SAID HE HAD ALREADY TALKED WITH MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS,
BUT NOTHING HAD EMERGED.

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2. ISMAIL HAS NOT HAD TIME TO FOCUS ON POSSIBLE DISCUSSION TOPICS SUGGESTED PARAS. 3 AND 4 REFTEL, MERELY COMMENTING THAT THEY SOUND "ATTRACTIVE". EGYPTIAN SIDE WOULD NO DOUBT BE AMENABLE TO INCLUDING PRATICALLY ANY TOPIC SUGGESTED BY US SIDE, BUT WE DOUBT DISCUSSION WOULD BE VERY USEFUL UNLESS SUCH TOPICS ARE CAREFULLY SPELLED OUT IN ADVANCE, IN AS SPECIFIC TERMS AS POSSIBLE. SUGGEST THAT RICHMOND MEET SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVAL NEXT WEEK WITH ISMAIL, TO EXPLAIN US IDEAS AND CARRY FORWARD EXPLORATION.

3. EMBASSY HAS NOT RAISED WITH ISMAIL QUESTION ABOUT GUIDELINES FOR OVERHEAD AND SALARY DIFFERENTIAL PAYMENTS TO EGYPTIAN SFCP INVESTIGATORS. WE BELIEVE THAT ANY SUCH DISCUSSION WITHIN EITHER FORMAL OR INFORMAL JWG CONTEXT IS NOT LIKELY TO PRODUCE MUCH AT THIS TIME EXCEPT EMBARRASSMENT ON EGYPTIAN SIDE. AT LEAST FOR TIME BEING, WE THINK IT BEST TO PURSUE THIS MATTER, AS WE ARE NOW DOING, THROUGH DIRECT DISCUSSIONS WITH MFA. SEPTTEL DESCRIBES LATEST MFA APPROACH TO PROBLEM.

4. UPDATING EGYPTIAN DELEGATION LIST REFTEL, ISMAIL SAID THAT SCIENCE MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVES WOULD INCLUDE DR. SAID HADDARA, UNDERSECRETARY IN MIN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH APPARENTLY INSTEAD OF EFFAT); DR. GAMAL ABDEL SAMIE, VICE PRESIDENT OF ACADEMY; AND DR. ADEL SABET. MFA REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE SAMY SABET (CULTURAL AFFAIRS DEPT.), WHO ALSO ATTENDED RECENT MEETING OF JWG ON EDUCATION/CULTURE. EILTS UNQUOTE SISCO

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